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CONFIRMATION NO. 4263

FORMALITIES LETTER

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Date Mailed: 03/30/2001

NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.

 Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$170.
 - \$90 for 5 total claims over 20.
 - \$80 for 1 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1010.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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Re:

U.S. Nonprovisional Patent Application

Appl. No. 09/748,741; Filed: December 26, 2000

Method for Opening a Proprietary MAC Protocol in a Non-

DOCSIS Modem Compatibly with a DOCSIS Modem

Inventor(s):

Limb et al.

Our Ref:

1875.0830001

Sir:

In reply to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application--Filing Date Granted," dated March 30, 2001. Applicants submit the following documents for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

- PTO Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/17 (in duplicate); 1.
- 2. Copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts;
- Original Declaration, executed by the inventor(s); 3.
- An original executed Revocation of Prior Power of Attorney and 4. Appointment of New Attorneys of Record;
- Certificate under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) with copy of Assignment attached; 5.

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- 6. Request to Approve Proposed Drawing Corrections with six (6) sheets of corrected drawings;
- 7. Authorization to Treat a Reply as Incorporating an Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) (in duplicate);
- 8. Request for Change of Attorney Docket Number;
- 9. Return postcard; and
- 10. Our Check No. <u>31476</u> for \$1010.00 to cover:

\$ 710.00 filing fee for patent application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16), \$ 170.00 fee for excess claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16), and \$130.00 surcharge for late filing of Declaration (37 C.F.R. § 1.16).

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. If extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those otherwise provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned, and any fees therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.

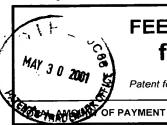
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Filing Date	December 26, 2000					
First Named Inventor	John O. Limb					
Examiner Name	To be assigned					
Group Art Unit	2642					
Attorney Docket No.	1875.0830001					

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107 490 207	245 Plant filing fee	121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing -			
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In re application of:

Limb et al.

Appl. No. 09/748,741

Filed: December 26, 2000

For: Method for Opening a Proprietary

MAC Protocol in a Non-DOCSIS Modem Compatibly with a DOCSIS

Modem

Art Unit: 2642

Examiner: To be assigned

Atty. Docket: 1875.0830001

Request for Change of Attorney Docket Number

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the attorney docket number for the above-captioned application be changed from "40671/PAN/B600" to -- 1875.0830001 --. Kindly use this attorney docket number in any future correspondence addressed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Authorization to Treat a Reply as Incorporating an Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3)

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Sir:

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply that requires a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge all required extension of time fees to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036, if such fees are not otherwise provided for in such reply. A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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